

ORANGE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE SERVICE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS/TRAFFIC AUTHORITY

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COMMISSIONER CHRISTOPHER CARVETH

COMMISSIONER JOHN BARTON

COMMISSIONER MARIAN HURLEY COMMISSIOER NYJAHWAHN WALKER

TRAFFIC AUTHORITY Monday March 13, 2023 – 4:30 p.m.

Unapproved Minutes

Pledge of Allegiance

Commission Chairman Barton called the Traffic Authority Meeting to order at 4:38 p.m.

Commissioners Present:

Commissioner Jack Barton Commissioner Nyjahwahn Walker Commissioner Chris Carveth Commissioner Roy Cuzzocreo Commissioner Marian Hurley

Commissioners Absent:

Also Present:

Police Chief Robert Gagne Assistant Police Chief Max Martins Kathy Gulia, Board Secretary

Anne Marie Zsamba, Director Municipal Compliance, Southern CT Wellness & Healing Dispensary; Richard D'Andrea, Ass't Department Manager Colliers Engineering & Design; Marjorie Shansky, Esq, attorney for Southern CT Wellness & Healing Dispensary

Dan Moore, Montar Group LLC; Ethan Schukoske, Atlantic Traffic & Design; Jeff Bord, Bohler Engineering; Amy Souchuns, Hurwitz Sagarin Slossberg & Knuff, LLC

Minutes

Commissioner Walker seconded by Commissioner Cuzzocreo, made the motion to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2023 Traffic Authority Meeting. The motion passed 4-0, with Commissioner Hurley abstaining.

Old Business

175 Boston Post Road proposed Southern CT Wellness & Healing Dispensary: Chief Gagne updated the Board advising that Planning and Zoning approved this with the condition that the northern driveway on Lindy Street be closed.

Ms. Zsamba updated the Board advising that the driveway will be closed but there will be a swing gate for the Fire Department's access, she also added the canopy will remain thus providing 2 operational drive thru lanes and there will be 29 parking spaces. Ms. Zsamba then discussed the process for the delivery of product, the security plan for delivery and day to day business as well as peak hours, daily anticipated transactions and the ability to stagger reservations. Discussion ensued regarding the left turn only exit onto

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Old Business (continued):

Lindy Street and concerns regarding traffic delays. Mr. D'Andrea then reviewed the traffic study, advising all traffic analysis was updated for the latest site plan. He discussed peak traffic times, vehicle queuing and accident data. Discussion ensued regarding the delays turning onto Boston Post Road from Lindy Street and a possible traffic signal at Lindy Street, however the volumes do not warrant it. Discussion also ensued about the queing of vehicles in front of Lindy Street from the traffic light at Hitchcock Plaza. Mr. D'Andrea advised that the traffic study did have a peer review by WSP and that he has a simulation video of the area. Commissioner Carveth, seconded by Commissioner Hurley made a motion to table this discussion until the WSP peer review and video were sent to The Board and Chief Gagne for review. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Zsamba, Mr. Andrea and Attorney Shansky left the meeting at 5:15 p.m.

New Business

18 & 22 Salemme Lane: Atty Souchuns provided the Board with an overview of the proposed self-storage unit. Commissioner Carveth advised the Board that he has in the past utilized the legal services of Hurwitz, Sagarin Slossberg & Knuff, LLC, so he feels it is best to recuse himself. Mr. Bord presented a description of the land, size of the building and parking spaces. He explained that due to the size of the building they require an administrative decision from the local traffic authority and will then apply for concurrence with the State. Mr. Schukoske reviewed the traffic generator analysis and peak hours of business. Finally, Mr. Moore advised that entrance and exit areas are only in the front of the building and no vehicles for storage use will be kept at the facility.

Commissioner Cuzzocreo, seconded by Commissioner Walker made a motion to approve the plan as presented with concurrence by the State for administrative decision. The motion passed 4-0, with Commissioner Carveth abstaining.

Dan Moore, Ethan Schukoske, Jeff Bord, and Amy Souchuns left the meeting at 5:25 p.m.

Ride For Hope: Chief Gagne advised the Board this annual event will take place on June 11, 2023.

Correspondence

Yale West Campus Building 900 Addition: Chief Gagne advised the Board of the addition and that this is primarily in West Haven's jurisdiction and that he did approve it.

Commissioner Cuzzocreo seconded by Commissioner Walker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:27 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Gulia, Board Secretary